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## News Release

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### New Medical Center Director Named for Greater Los Angeles VA

**LONG BEACH, CA** — The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is pleased to announce the appointment of Ann R. Brown, FACHE, as the new Director of the VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System (VAGLAHS). Brown will oversee delivery of health care to more than 90,000 Veterans and an operating budget of \$916 million.

"We are thrilled to bring Ms. Brown on board as the new Director of VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System. Her leadership and past experiences will be invaluable to the facility, the employees and volunteers, and most importantly, for the Veterans we are honored to serve," said Marie Weldon, FACHE, VA Desert Pacific Healthcare Network Director. "We anticipate her appointment to begin on January 24, 2016."

Brown joined VA more than 19 years ago; most recently she served as Director of the Jesse Brown VA Medical Center in Chicago, Illinois. She obtained a Masters of Science Degree in Health Care Administration from Trinity University and a Bachelors of Business Administration Degree in Finance from the University of Texas. Brown is board certified as a Fellow in the American College of Health Care Executives.

VAGLAHS is one component of the VA Desert Pacific Healthcare Network (VISN 22) offering services to Veterans residing in Southern California. VAGLAHS consists of three ambulatory care centers, a tertiary care facility and eight community-based outpatient clinics. VAGLAHS serves Veterans residing throughout five counties: Los Angeles, Ventura, Kern, Santa Barbara, and San Luis Obispo. There are approximately 1.4 million Veterans in the VAGLAHS service area. For more information, call (310) 478-3711 or visit us at [www.losangeles.va.gov](http://www.losangeles.va.gov).

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